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SUBJECT: CEA CHAIRMAN SCHULTZE VISIT APRIL 11-15

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1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL A, EMBASSY SOUGHT NORDHAUS PARTICIPATION IN EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR MR. SCHULTZE APRIL 14 THRU AND INCLUDING MEETING WITH GOVERNOR MORINAGA. MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND BANK OF JAPAN WOULD WELCOME MR. NORDHAUS' PARTICIPATION. MR. NORDHAUS IS INVITED TO THE LUNCHEON HOSTED BY THE PRIME MINISTER. THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE EXPRESSED THE HOPE, HOWEVER, THAT THE MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER COULD BE OF MORE LIMITED PARTICIPATION. WE ARE TOLD THE PRIME MINISTER REGARDS MR. SCHULTZE AS AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE AND WOULD LIKE THE MEETING TO BE RATHER INFORMAL. COMMENT: EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT WE NOT PURSUE THE MATTER AT THIS STAGE BUT CONSIDER IT FURTHER IF DESIRED AFTER ARRIVAL OF THE PARTY. END COMMENT.

2. EPA ADVISES THAT MINISTER MIYAZAWA HOPES THAT THE PRIVATE MEETING WITH MR. SCHULTZE ON APRIL 13 COULD BE TETE-A-TETE, I.E. ONE-ON-ONE.

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3. IN LIGHT OF THE CHANGES IN MR. NORDHAUS' PLANS ON APRIL 14, WASHINGTON MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER SOME MINOR CHANGES IN THE SCHEDULE. THE ENERGY DISCUSSION, IN WHICH REFTEL A SUGGESTS MR. NORDHAUS EXPECTS TO PARTICIPATE, IS PRESENTLY SCHEDULED TO END BEFORE MR. NORDHAUS WOULD RETURN FROM THE MEETING WITH GOV MORINAGA. ASSUMING MR. NORDHAUS ADHERES TO HIS PLAN TO ACCOMPANY MR. SCHULTZE IN

CALLING ON GOV MORINAGA, ONE POSSIBILITY WOULD BE TO BEGIN THE DISCUSSION OF ENERGY OUTLOOK AND POLICIES AT 1600 THAT AFTERNOON, SPLITTING THE AVAILABLE TIME BETWEEN THE DISCUSSION ON ENERGY AND ON POTENTIAL OUTPUT, ETC. IF IT SHOULD BE DECIDED TO START THE ENERGY DISCUSSION AT 1600, PRIVATE TALKS AT EPA COULD DOUBTLESSLY BE ARRANGED FOR MR. SHAFER BETWEEN LUNCH AND 1600. IN LIGHT OF MR. NORDHAUS' ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING WITH FINANCE MINISTER MURAYAMA, IT MIGHT BE CONSIDERED WHETHER IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO BEGIN THE DISCUSSION OF THE EFFECTS OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON APRIL 14 AT 1030 INSTEAD OF 1000 IN ORDER TO ALLOW MR. NORDHAUS TO BE THERE AT THE BEGINNING. WHILE WE MENTION THESE CONSIDERATIONS, IT PROBABLY WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO MAKE SUCH MINOR ALTERATIONS IN THE SCHEDULE AFTER THE CEA PARTY ARRIVES IN TOKYO.

4. EMBASSY SHOULD CLARIFY THAT WE EXPECT THE FULL CEA PARTY WILL BE INVITED TO THE DINNERS OFFERED APRIL 13 BY EPA MINISTER MIYAZAWA AND APRIL 14 BY EPA COORDINATION BUREAU DIRECTOR GENERAL MIYAZAKI. FULL PARTY IS OF COURSE INCLUDED IN LUNCHEON HOSTED BY DCM APRIL 13.

5. ONE RATHER UNHAPPY BIT OF NEWS WE HAVE RECEIVED IS THAT INTERPRETATION AT EPA/CEA TALKS WILL BE CONSECUTIVE. EPA DOES NOT HAVE THE FACILITIES FOR SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION.
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6. DETAILS ON PRESS ARRANGEMENTS WILL FOLLOW. MANSFIELD

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